

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Paul Higginbotham, Chief Permits Section Indiana Department of Environmental Management 100 N. Senate Avenue Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251

Re: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Review of NPDES Permit, Ground Water Petroleum Remediation Discharges, Permit No. ING08000

Dear Mr. Higginbotham:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit (Permit), fact sheet, and supporting documents for the above referenced general permit that was submitted to EPA on October 9, 2012 and revised on July 9, 2013. Based on our review to date, EPA would not object to issuance of that permit. However, our position could change if any of the following occurs:

- a. Prior to the actual date of issuance of a Proposed Permit, an effluent guideline or standard is promulgated which is applicable to the permit and which would require revision or modification of a limitation or condition set forth in the Draft Permit;
- b. A variance is granted and the Permit is modified to incorporate the results of that variance;
- c. There are additional revisions to be incorporated into the Permit which have not been agreed to by EPA; or
- d. EPA learns of new information, including as the result of public comments, that causes EPA to reconsider its position.

Subject to the above conditions, the permit may be issued in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement and pursuant to the Clean Water Act.

When the Proposed Permit is issued, <u>please forward one copy and any significant comments received during any public notice period to this office at the above address</u>, attention Brian Bell, NPDES Programs Branch. If you have any technical questions related to EPA's review, please contact Brian Bell of my staff. Mr. Bell can be reached by telephone at (312) 886-0981 or by Email at bell.brianc@epa.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation during the review process and your thoughtful consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,

Kevin M. Pierard, Chief NPDES Programs Branch

cc: Joseph Gwinn, IDEM